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1. No changes in the occupation of the Artillerie Kaserne on the northwest side of Berlinerstrasse, Prenzlau (N 54/Q 14), were observed on 22 February 1951. About 800 troops were at fatigue duty in the billeting area while from 200 to 300 troops received training on the drill field southwest of the installation, where they later returned. Troops observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. Among the officers there were some who wore tank insignia. About 80 percent of the ~~MI~~ were young soldiers. The garages were still occupied by JS-2 tanks,
- 25X1 The two canvas-covered tanks were still parked in the south-western section
- 25X1 of the billeting area. Radio jeep with a generator was parked in the
- 25X1 southern corner of the billeting area. The radio station was in operation. Truck left the billeting area. *

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2. No changes in the number of troops were observed in the Artillerie Kaserne on the southeast side of Berlinerstrasse, which is the larger of the two installations on this street. About 1,000 troops were engaged in policing the installation while 500 to 600 troops entered the billeting area from the drill field in several units. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. Among the officers were some wearing artillery insignia and a few wearing tank insignia. Field-grade officers of artillery and tank units were seen. Many officers were observed traveling between the two installations on Berlinerstrasse. Sixteen model ZIS-3 AT guns of 76.2 mm caliber were parked in front of the garages in the center of the billeting area. Five T-43 tanks were in each of three garages. It could not be determined whether other garages sheltered tanks. The garages in the south-western section of the billeting area were occupied to capacity by motor vehicles. Eleven field kitchens were still standing near the mess buildings. Four 80-mm mortars were observed with a unit that returned from the drill field.
- 25X1 Motor vehicles were observed in the billeting area.

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3. The officers' settlement northeast of the two barracks installations on Berlinerstrasse billeted field-grade officers with their dependents. The officers were seen walking to these installation.

4. The units in the barracks installations on Berlinerstrasse received their ration supplies from the cooperative stores on Alsenstrasse. Motor vehicles were observed at the stores. 25X1

25X1 * [] Comment. The information indicates no change since the last report of 10 January 1951 by [] The motor vehicle
 25X1 [] belonged to the 25th Tank Div.
 25X1 ** [] Comment. The sixteen 76.2-mm AT guns observed in the Artillerie Kaserne on the southeast side of Berlinerstrasse probably belonged to an AT artillery unit. The observation in Prenzlau of motor vehicles of headquarters units of the Fourth Gds Wehr Army in connection with [] the 25X1
 296th Gds At Arty Regt indicates the possibility that the AT guns belonged to this regiment.

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